House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 35 public bills, H.R. 3819–3853; 1 private bill, H.R. 3854; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 73; and H. Res. 502–505, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 2943, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make all fact sheets of the Department of Veterans Affairs in English and Spanish, with amendments (H. Rept. 116–158);

H.R. 397, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to create a Pension Rehabilitation Trust Fund, to establish a Pension Rehabilitation Administration within the Department of the Treasury to make loans to multiemployer defined benefit plans, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–159, Part 1);

H.R. 3298, to increase entitlement funding for child care, with amendments (H. Rept. 116–160); and

H.R. 3299, to permit legally married same-sex couples to amend their filing status for income tax returns outside the statute of limitations, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify that all provisions shall apply to legally married same-sex couples in the same manner as other married couples, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–161).

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Malinowski to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. Pages H7093, H7128

Raise the Wage Act: The House passed H.R. 582, to provide for increases in the Federal minimum wage, by a recorded vote of 231 ayes to 199 noes, Roll No. 496.

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Rejected the Meuser motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and Labor with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 210 ayes to 218 noes, Roll No. 495. Pages H7126-28

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Labor now printed in the bill, modified by the amendment printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–155, shall be considered as adopted.

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Agreed to:

O'Halleran amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 116–155) that requires the Government Accountability Office, in consultation with specified experts, to submit a report to Congress on the economic and employment impacts (nationally, regionally, and locally) of the four minimum wage increases in the bill (standard, tipped minimum, youth, and 14(C)) with the report to be prepared after the second wage increase and before the third wage increase; requires Congress to assess the report's findings and to take any appropriate legislative action, including action to delay or otherwise modify the next scheduled wage increases (by a recorded vote of 248 ayes to 181 noes, Roll No. 494).

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H. Res. 492, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 582) was agreed to yesterday, July 17th.

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow, July 19th, and further when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon on Tuesday, July 23rd for Morning Hour debate.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7125–26, H7127, and H7128. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COUNTERFEITS AND CLUTTERING: EMERGING THREATS TO THE INTEGRITY OF THE TRADEMARK SYSTEM AND THE IMPACT ON AMERICAN CONSUMERS AND BUSINESSES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet held a hearing entitled "Counterfeits and Cluttering: Emerging Threats to the Integrity of the Trademark System and the Impact on American Consumers and Businesses". Testimony was heard from Mary Boney Denison, Commissioner for Trademarks, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife held a hearing on H.R. 2245, the "CECIL Act". Testimony was heard from Chairman Grijalva; and public witnesses.

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Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands held a hearing on H.R. 401, the "Lowell Observatory Conveyance Act"; H.R. 1492, the "Yucca House National Monument Boundary Revision Act"; H.R. 1572, the "Botanical Sciences and Native Plant Materials Research, Restoration, and Promotion Act"; and H.R. 2819, the "Gold Star Families National Monument Extension Act". Testimony was heard from Representatives Tipton, Kim, and Quigley; William Shaddox, Chief, Land Resources Division, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Frank Beum, Acting Associated Deputy Chief, National Forest System, U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; and public witnesses.

HEARING WITH ACTING SECRETARY OF HOMELAND SECURITY KEVIN K. MCALEENAN

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Hearing with Acting Secretary of Homeland Security Kevin K. McAleenan". Testimony was heard from Kevin K. McAleenan, Acting Secretary, Department of Homeland Security.

Joint Meetings

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Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission received a briefing to examine truth, reconciliation, and healing toward a unified future from Gail C. Christopher, Ntianu Center, Forest Heights, Maryland, on behalf of the Trust for America's Health; Stuart Eizenstat, Imperfect Justice: Looted Assets, Slave Labor, and Diane Orentlicher, American University, both of Washington, D.C.; Don Ceder, City of Amsterdam Municipal Councilor, Amsterdam, the Netherlands; and Tracy Tansia Bibo, former City Councilor, Liedekerke, Belgium.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JULY 19, 2019

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.